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Attorney Docket No.: DIVER1280-3

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Short and Keller                      Art Unit: 1639  
Application No.: 09/685,432                      Examiner: J.D. Epperson  
Filed: October 10, 2000                      Confirmation No.: 4977  
Title: HIGH THROUGHPUT SCREENING FOR SEQUENCES OF INTEREST

MAIL STOP RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

This is a request under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response in connection with the Final Office Action mailed April, 2004.

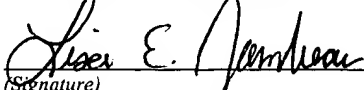
The requested extension is for two months, extending the period from July 28, 2004 to October 28, 2004.

The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' undersigned representative if there are any questions relating to this application.

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CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8	
I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail on this date, <b>October 28, 2004</b> , in an envelope addressed to: MAIL STOP RCE, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.	
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 (Signature)	October 28, 2004 (Date)

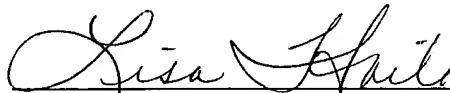
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Enclosed is Check No. 568727 totaling \$885.00; to cover the fees for the Request for Continued Examination (\$395) and Petition for Three-Month Extension of Time (\$490). However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional other fees associated with the filing submitted herewith, or credit any overpayments to Deposit Account No. 50-1355. A duplicate copy of this Transmittal sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: October 28, 2004



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